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In re Patent Application of

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PETITION TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS
NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION WAS TIMELY FILED
AND PROPERLY CLAIMS PRIORITY TO
APPLICATION SERIAL NOS. 60/411,989 AND 60/411,994,
AND

REQUEST FOR CORRECTED OFFICIAL FILING RECEIPT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Due to the closure of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on Thursday, September 18, 2003 and Friday, September 19, 2003, the present application was filed on Monday, September 22, 2003. The present application claims priority from two provisional applications, Serial Nos. 60/411,989 and 60/411,994, which were filed on September 19, 2002. However, since the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office was closed on Friday, September 19, 2003, and since Friday, September 19, 2003, was declared a "federal holiday within the District of Columbia", this application was timely filed and should be

permitted to claim priority to the earlier filed provisional applications.

The Official Filing Receipt mailed on March 19, 2004, failed to acknowledge the provisional applications.

Subsequently, on March 25, 2004, Applicants filed a Request to Correct the Official Filing Receipt. This Request was denied in a Response mailed April 8, 2004.

This action by the Patent Office has necessitated the filing of this Petition. It is believed that no fee is necessary, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1417 for any fees that are deemed necessary.

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